

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1- 42(Canceled).

Claim 43(Currently Amended). A composition for treating different arthropods, comprising:

alternating layers of a first layer directly against a second layer which is directly against a third layer, the first layer and the third layer each being a mixture layer of a non-edible foraging matrix mixed with a slow-acting and non-repellant toxicant, the foraging non-edible matrix includes at least one of: soil, sand, gravel, rocks, pebbles, shale, and mixtures thereof, and the second layer being a non-toxic layer, the non-toxic layer selected from at least one of: an edible non-toxic attractant material, and a non-toxic attractant material, wherein different arthropods can be treated over time.

Claim 44(Previously Presented). The composition of claim 43, wherein the non-toxic layer includes: cellulose.

Claim 45(Currently Amended). The composition of claim 43, wherein the non-toxic layer includes: ~~at least one of foam and Styrofoam.~~

Claim 46(Previously Presented). The composition of claim 43, further comprising:

an outer covering to contain the alternating layers, the outer casing for allowing the alternating layers to be placed under ground, wherein the outer covering will allow arthropods to access the alternating layers.

Claim 47(Canceled).

Claim 48(Currently Amended). The composition of claim 43, further comprising:

~~a first layer being the non-toxic layer of air that the arthropods initially pass through to reach the first layer.~~

Claim 49(Currently Amended). The composition of claim 43, further comprising:

~~a first-fourth layer being a nontoxic layer, the fourth layer directly against one of the first layer and the third layer, the fourth layer being a different nontoxic material than the second layer, the second layer and the fourth layer being used to attract different arthropods to the composition the mixture layer of the non-edible foraging matrix mixed with the slow acting toxicant that the arthropods initially pass through.~~

Claim 50(Currently Amended). A method of killing different arthropods and protecting structures, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing alternating layers of a first mixture layer of a foraging non-edible foraging matrix mixed with a slow acting and non-repellant toxicant directly adjacent to a second, ~~interspersed with~~ a non-toxic arthropod edible and attractant layer,

which is directly adjacent to a third mixture layer of a foraging non-edible foraging matrix mixed with a slow acting and non-repellant toxicant;

(b) positioning the alternating layers adjacent to different arthropods and allowing the different arthropods to enter the alternating layers and pass into the first mixture layer and into the third mixture layer ~~foraging non-edible matrix~~; and

(c) allowing the arthropods to exit from the alternating layers, wherein the slow acting and non-repellant toxicant destroys the arthropods in their colonies over time and protects structures.

Claim 51(Previously Presented). The method of claim 50, further comprising the step of:
inserting the alternating layers into a chamber, having at least one entrance for the crawling arthropods.

Claim 52(Canceled).

Claim 53(Currently Amended). The method of claim ~~52~~ 51, wherein the different arthropods are selected from ~~at least one of~~ termites, carpenter ants, fire ants, and roaches.

Claim 54(Previously Presented). The method of claim 50, further comprising the step of:
providing cellulose as the non-toxic layer.

Claim 55(Currently Amended). The method of claim 50, further comprising the step of:
providing ~~at least one of: foam and Styrofoam~~ as the non-toxic layer.

Claim 56(Currently Amended). An apparatus for killing arthropods and protecting structures, comprising:

a first ~~mixture~~ layer consisting of a mixture of a foraging non-edible foraging matrix mixed with a slow acting and non-repellant toxicant, the foraging non-edible matrix includes at least one of: soil, sand, gravel, rocks, pebbles, shale, and mixtures thereof; and

a second layer of a non-toxic material that is an attractant to arthropods, the second layer being directly against one side of the first ~~mixture~~ layer; and

a third layer consisting of a mixture of a foraging non-edible foraging matrix mixed with a slow acting and non-repellant toxicant, the first layer being separated from the third layer by the second layer, the first layer having an identical composition to the third layer, wherein arthropods pass into the apparatus and the slow acting and non-repellant toxicants destroys the arthropods in their colonies over time and protects structures.

Claim 57(Canceled).

Claim 58(Currently Amended). The apparatus of claim 56, further comprising:

an alternating fourth layer of another non-toxic material that is an attractant to different arthropods from the second layer, the alternating layer being directly against another side of one of the first layer and the third layer.

Claim 59(Currently Amended). The apparatus of claim ~~56~~ 58, further comprising:

~~at least two~~ an alternating fifth layers of ~~a the~~ foraging non-edible foraging matrix mixed with ~~a the~~ slow acting and non-repellant toxicant which is directly against the fourth layer for treating different arthropods.

Claim 60(Currently Amended). The apparatus of claim 59, wherein the different arthropods are selected from ~~at least one of:~~ termites, carpenter ants, fire ants, and roaches.

Claim 61(Currently Amended). The apparatus of claim 56, further comprising:

a chamber for housing the first layer, ~~and the second layer, and the third layer~~ having an entrance for the arthropods.

Claim 62(New). The apparatus of claim 56, wherein the first layer and the third layer are each approximately ¼ inch thick.

Claim 63(New). The apparatus of claim 56, wherein the second non-toxic layer is approximately ¼ inch thick.

Claim 64(New). The apparatus of claim 59, further comprising:

an alternating sixth layer of still another non-toxic material that is an attractant to different arthropods from the second layer and the fourth layer, the sixth layer directly against another side of the fifth layer; and

an alternating seventh layer of a foraging non-edible foraging matrix mixed with a slow acting and non-repellant toxicant which is directly against the sixth layer.